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**AMERICAN BAPTIST RESOLUTION ON
ASYLUM**

We are concerned over the need for asylum on the part of persons fleeing from oppressive governments and urge our government to take the necessary steps in cooperation with other nations to meet the need of these people.

Adopted by the American Baptist Convention - 1963
Affirmed by the Executive Committee of the General Board - September 1985
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POLICY BASE

American Baptist Policy Statement on Human Rights

11. The right of citizenship in a nation, to participate in the political process, to form political parties, to have a voice in decisions made in the political arenas, to be sure from fear of deportation or expulsion, to emigrate and to have political asylum;